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FOR IO/UNP-STUART MCINTYRE AND NSC-DENIS CLIFT FROM MOORE

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ:ECONOMIC STUDY OF LOS ISSUES

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DRAFT LETTER I RECOMMEND BE SENT FROM THE DEPUTY SECRETARY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE UNDER SECRETARIES COMMITTEE TO MEMBERS OF THE UNDER SECRETARIES COMMITTEE AND TO UNDERSECRETARIES OF AGENCIES PARTICIPATING ON THE EXECUTIVE GROUP OF THE TASK FORCE AND SELECTED EXECUTIVE BRANCH ECONOMIC AGENCIES.

2. QUOTE. DEAR-----:

3. THE PRESIDENT HAS APPROVED MY RECOMMENDATION THAT THE TASK FORCE ON THE LAW OF THE SEA SHOULD UNDERTAKE AS PART OF ITS WORK A TIMELY REVIEW OF THE U.S. ECONOMIC POLICY INTERESTS RELATING TO THE LAW OF THE SEA NEGOTIATIONS.

4. ACCORDINGLY, I HAVE DIRECTED THE INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF JOHN NORTON MOORE, AND AUGMENTED AS NECESSARY FOR THIS ECONOMIC REVIEW, BY REPRESENTATIVES OF APPROPRIATE ECONOMIC OFFICES WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, TO PREPARE SUCH A REVIEW.

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5. AGENCIES INTERESTED IN AN ECONOMIC REVIEW OF ANY

ASPECT OF OUR LAW OF THE SEA POLICY ARE REQUESTED TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN ECONOMIC STUDY OF THE ISSUES OF CONCERN TO THEM TO JOHN NORTON MOORE, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE REVIEW, BY SEPTEMBER 15 OF THIS YEAR. THE TASK FORCE WILL THEN BUILD ON THESE STUDIES TO PREPARE A COORDINATED ECONOMIC REVIEW. THE FINDINGS OF THIS ECONOMIC REVIEW WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION TOGETHER WITH OTHER IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE U.S. LAW OF THE SEA POSITION--INCLUDING POLITICAL, STRATEGIC, ENVIRONMENTAL AND SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS--IN THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE U.S. POSITION FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE.

6. IF YOUR AGENCY DOES NOT ALREADY PARTICIPATE IN THE WORK OF THE INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE PLEASE INFORM MR. STUART H. MCINTYRE, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE (632-1206), PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1 OF THE NAME OF A SENIOR PERSON FROM YOUR AGENCY WHOM YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE PARTICIPATE IN THE WORK OF THE TASK FORCE FOR THE ECONOMIC REVIEW.

7. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

8. SINCERELY, (SIGNED) THE DEPUTY SECRETARY, CHAIRMAN, THE UNDER SECRETARIES COMMITTEE.

9. CC: MR. JOHN NORTON MOORE; MR. STUART H. MCINTYRE.

10. ADDRESSEES: (1) MEMBERS OF UNDER SECRETARIES COMMITTEE. (2) UNDER SECRETARIES OF AGENCIES PARTICIPATING IN THE EXECUTIVE GROUP OF THE INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE (INCLUDING OMB). (3) PRINCIPAL OFFICERS IN CIEP, CEA AND THE OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL CONSULTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR ENERGY MATTERS. UNQUOTE.

11. DRAFT LETTER APPROVED BY STEVENSON, MCKERNAN, JON HARTZELL OF TREASURY AND OTHER INTERESTED DELEGATION MEMBERS. IMPORTANT THAT LETTER SHOULD BE SENT ASAP.

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